GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Industries Department – case registered under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988) for the allegations of demand and acceptance of bribe against Sri P. NarsingRao, Industrial Promotion Officer, Office of the General Manager, District Industries Centre, Mahabubnagar- Trapped on 06.12.2017 – Sanction of Prosecution – Orders- Issued.

INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE (VIGILANCE) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 16 Dated: 24-12-2019

ORDER:-

Whereas, Sri P.NarsingRao worked as Industrial Promotion Officer in the office of the General Manager, Industries Center, Mahabubnagar district from 11.10.2016 to 06.12.2017 and by virtue of the post held by him, he falls under the category of "Public Servant" as defined under section 2(b) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988).

- 2. And whereas, Sri MudavathRamjiNaik, S/o Sri LimbyaNaik is an Agriculturist and is a resident of Sri LaxmaNaikThanda, H/o Kodugal Village of Jadcherla Mandal, Mahabubnagar district.
- And whereas, Sri M. RamjiNaik, S/o LimbyaNaik lodged a complaint 3. Superintendent of Police, before Anti CorruptionBureau, Mahabubnagar on 30.11.2017 at 16:30 hours stating that, he purchased a Mahindra-575 Tractor in the month of October-2015 in the name of his wife Smt.MudavathAnjamma by taking loan from ICICI Bank, Mahabubnagar. As they belong to Scheduled Tribe, he went to District Industries Centre, Mahabubnagar to get subsidy on his tractor and Part-1 application was filled by him. On 11.03.2016, he went to District Industries Centre, Mahabubnagar and submitted application to Sri MohdInayath Ali Khan, Junior Assistant. In the month of March-2017 he met Sri P.NarsingRao, Industrial Promotion Officer and asked him about his work. Then Sri P. NarsingRao replied that he would look after his work and see that the sanction order would be issued. By saying so, he demanded Rs.10,000/- as bribe for him and to his Junior Assistant Sri MohdInayath Ali Khan. At thattime, Sri MohdInayath Ali khan was also present in the chambers of Sri P. NarsingRao. Then Sri MohdInayath Ali Khan also reiterated the words of Sri P. NarsingRao and said that they would share Rs.5,000/- (Rupees five thousand only) each and without payment of the bribe his work would not be completed. Further Sri P. NarsingRao also stated that Sri M.RamjiNaik would receive more than three lakhs from the Government, but if he does not pay Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees five thousand only) each, the same amount would be stopped.
- 4. Later, in the month of September 2017, he received a letter from the District Industries Center, Mahabubnagar. In reply to the letter he went to Mahabubnagar and met Sri P. NarsingRao and submitted all the documents. Then Sri P.NarsingRao asked whether he bought the demanded bribe amount or not. For that, he replied that he was not having that much amount. But, Sri P. NarsingRao asked him to bring the Tractor for inspection along with the demanded bribe amount. After a few days, when he took the tractor to the office for inspection both Sri P.NarsingRao and Sri MohdInayath Ali Khan asked whether he bought the demanded bribe amount or not.For that, when he replied that he could not afford to pay that much amount as bribe. Then they replied that, without paying the bribe

amount his work will not be completed. Finally on 28.11.2017, when he went to the office and met Sri P. NarsingRao, he found Sri Mohd.Inayath Ali Khan also present in the chambers of Sri P.NarsingRao. When he asked about his work and when will he receive the sanction order, they asked him as to whether he bought their demanded bribe or not? When he replied that he is very poor and he cannot afford to pay Rs.10,000/- as bribe and on his repeated requests,they reduced the bribe amount to Rs.8,000/- and asked him to pay 4,000/- to each. They further strongly stated that they themselves complete the entire work and see that sanction order would be issued otherwise no sanction order would be issued. Sri M. RamjiNaik was not willing to pay the bribe amount, but without the payment of demanded bribe amount, his work would not be done. Hence, Sri RamjiNaik requested the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti CorruptionBureau Mahabubnagar to take necessary legal action against them.

- 5. After verifying the facts of the complaint and after due enquiry and after observing all the formalities, a case in Crime No.4/RCT-ACB-MBNR/2017 U/s.7 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 was registered on 06.12.2017 at 13:30 hours by Deputy Superintend of Police,ACB, Mahabubnagar against Sri P. NarsingRao, Industrial Promotion Officer and Sri Mohd. Inayath Ali Khan, Junior Assistant O/o General Manager, District Industries Centre Mahabubnagar and arrangements were made for laying a trap.
- 6. And whereas on 06.12.2017, during post-trap proceedings Sri M.RamjiNaik went to O/o the District Industries Centre, Mahabubnagar by wearing Audio and video device. When he just reaching the chambers of Industrial Promotion Office, the Industrial Promotion Officer Sri P.NarsingRao was in front of the door and upon seeing him Sri P.NarsingRao entered into his office room. Then he also followed him into the chambers of Sri P.NarsingRao. Then Sri P.NarsingRao, Industrial Promotion Officer demanded and accepted Rs.6,000/- with his right hand, counted the same with both hands and kept in his left side shirt pocket and promised to do his work and told to pay Rs. 2,000/- to Sri Mohd.Inayath Ali Khan, Junior Assistant.Accordingly Sri RamjiNaikmet SriMohd. Inayath Ali Khan and on his demand paid Rs.2,000/-. After that Sri RamjiNaik came out of office hall and gave the pre-arranged signal to the trap party. Immediately the Deputy Superintendent of Police and trap party along with mediators rushed into the office room of Sri P. NarsingRao, Industrial Promotion Officer.
- 7. Thus, Sri P.NarsingRao, Industrial Promotion Officer was trapped by the officials of Anti CorruptionBureau. The Phenolphthalein Test conducted over the fingers of both the hands of Sri P.NarsingRao yielded positive result and the tainted amount of Rs.6,000/- was recovered from Sri P.NarsingRao from the left side front pocket of his wearing shirt at his instance. The inner linings of left side front pocket of wearing shirt of Sri P.NarsingRao which came into contact with the tainted currency also yielded positive results in chemical test. The Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti CorruptionBureau, Mahabubnagar seized the tainted currency under cover of post-trap proceedings. Similarly the amount of Rs.2,000/- in possession of Sri Mohd. Inayath Ali Khan also was recovered and test also was yielded positive.
- 8. The Deputy Superintendent of Policeseized the official favour file of the complainant's wife from the possession of Sri NarsingRao containing 41 sheets in the presence of mediators. On perusal of official favour file it has come to light that the complainant applied to get subsidy on his tractor in the name of his wife on 10.03.2016 at District Industries Centre, Mahabubnagar

under T-Pride scheme. On 07.10.2017 the Assistant Director, District Industries Centre, endorsed the file to Sri NarsingRao to prepare a report. On 12.10.2017, the General Manager made an endorsement on the file as "put up in District Industries Promotional Committee meeting". But Sri NarsingRao ignored the endorsement and kept pending for no reasons and said file was found with Sri NarsingRao. The statements of Sri R.John, Assistant Director and Sri K.E.PrasadRao, General Manager, District Industries Centre, Mahabubnagar reveals that Sri P.NarsingRao, Industrial Promotion Officer did not put the concerned file in the District Industries Promotional Committee(DIPC) meeting held on 20.10.2017.

- 9. The entire demand and acceptance of bribe by Sri NarsingRao, Industrial Promotion Officer was recorded in audio and video device by the complainant Sri M.RamjiNaik. The Deputy Superintendent of Police seized the memory card of Audio & Video device and transcript verbatim was prepared and attested by the Deputy Superintendent of Police and the mediators.
- 10. And whereas, the above said acts of Sri P.NarsingRao, Industrial Promotion Officer, O/o General Manager, District Industries Centre, Mahabubnagar constitute offences punishable under sections 7 & 13(1)(d) r/w 13(2) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988).
- 11. And whereas, the Government of Telangana being the competent authority to remove Sri P.NarsingRao, Industrial Promotion Officer, O/o General Manager, District Industries Centre, Mahabubnagar from service, after fully and carefully examining the material i.e. FIR, pre-trap & post-trap proceedings, statements of witnesses, final report of the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Telangana, Hyderabad and all the relevant documents, in respect of the above said allegations and having regard to the circumstances of the case, consider that the said Sri P.NarsingRao, Industrial Promotion Officer, O/o General Manager, District Industries Centre Mahabubnagar should be prosecuted in a Court of Law for the aforesaid offences.
- 12. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988), the Government of Telangana hereby accord sanction for prosecution of Sri P.NarsingRao, Industrial Promotion Officer, O/o General Manager, District Industries Centre, Mahabubnagar for the aforesaid offences punishable under sections 7 and clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 13 read with sub-section (2) of section 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988) and for any other cognate offences punishable under any provisions of law for the time being in force in respect of the aforesaid allegations and for taking cognizance of the said offences by the court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

(JAYESH RANJAN)
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT & CIP (FAC)

To The Director General, Anti-corruption Bureau, Telangana, Hyderabad.